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News worth sharing.

Tradition. Dance

▶ Dawit Gebreezgi, 16, performs the Guragigna, a traditional Ethiopian dance, as part of an event held yesterday by the Ethio-Canadian Dancers Group at Knox United Church.

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Sounds, sights of Ethiopia

Cameras urged to deter crime

- Unsolved stabbing prompts call for surveillance
- Three major stabbings at intersection since late January

The continual congregation of drug dealers and thugs at a notorious North Point Douglas street corner has renewed a call to install surveillance cameras to help nab and deter criminals from frequenting the area.

Putting four to six CCTV cameras near the corner of Austin Street and Euclid Avenue would likely assist police and greatly improve area safety, community activist Heather Geddie said yesterday.

"There's no mechanism in place to monitor these gangs hanging around here," she said.

The recent knifing of a man for his bike near the high-traffic corner is just another example of why cameras would help efforts to push out the criminal element, she said.

JAMES TURNER/METRO

▶ Heather Geddie

"They can hang around and they can act with impunity," Geddie said.

Volunteers would be happy to monitor the footage and notify police of what's going on — but city officials need to supply the equipment, she said.

"That corner ... is a gathering place for community members," Geddie said.

Winnipeg police have 10 CCTV cameras in the city, located in various areas mainly around downtown.

The most recent stabbing is still under investigation, said Const. Natalie Aitken.

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Michael Ignatieff and Stephen Harper cross swords as they each campaign in British Columbia. Video at metronews.ca

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Farmers may face a second season without seeding

Farmers in southwestern Manitoba, fresh off one of the wettest years on record, say they're already expecting to have another wet-weather write-off.

Gary Sigurdson, who farms near Melita, Man., said he does not expect to seed a crop this year.

"My fields have been flooded for more than a year now," said Sigurdson from his family farm. "They're still underwater. I've never seen anything like this. I don't know if my father ever did, either."

Sigurdson said he can't remember ever going more than one season without seeding. ELISHA DACEY

THE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

▶ The head of the Portage Diversion.

Bigger flood than 1997

About half the province has been affected ◐ Rising waters have not yet crested ◐ Portage Diversion already running at maximum capacity

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It may not be as devastating as 1997's Flood of the Century, but it's now the largest flood ever.

Provincial officials say no flood in the province's recorded history has covered as much area as this year's flood, and the flooding will only get worse.

Overland flooding has impacted about half the province, with rising waters covering land as far north as The Pas and from the Saskatchewan border to eastern Manitoba.

And while the biggest story in any given flood year is usually the Red River, this year it's the Assiniboine, the Red's largest tributary, that is causing the most headaches.

The Portage Diversion, Manitoba's second-largest man-made water diversion channel, is already running at maximum to save communities. Steve Topping, Manitoba Water Stewardship's executive director, told media Saturday the Assiniboine River was experiencing water flows not seen in 35 years, when the river experienced its worst flood on record.

And should the Assiniboine River crest at the same time as the Red River, it could impact several properties inside Winnipeg.

There is no hard prediction for when the Assiniboine River will crest, but it appears it will crest around the end of April or beginning of May.

Friday and Saturday's snow will not, however, have a significant impact on the flood, other than to prolong it a little, said Topping.

The numbers

- **795 — the number** of provincial and municipal roads closed due to overland water.
- **683 — number of evacuees** forced to flee their homes.
- **11 — number of crews** monitoring the rivers' flows
- **75 — Highway 75,** usually one of the first main highways to be closed in flood season, remained open as of yesterday afternoon.

Car takes toll on bus stop

No one was injured after a newer-model Honda Civic smashed into a Winnipeg Transit bus shelter on Osborne Street South at Brandon Avenue at roughly 5:30 a.m. yesterday.

The vehicle was towed from the scene and police are investigating the cause of the collision.

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▶ A Winnipeg Transit bus shelter destroyed in a collision.

News in brief

Chopper tracks armed suspect

WEST END. The Winnipeg Police Service credited its AIR 1 chopper for helping take down an armed suspect on Saturday. Police said they chased down reports of a man pointing a firearm. The suspect was found by police on a bicycle, but refused to stop and fled, tossing his firearm away. Police said thanks to communication between AIR 1 and street patrols, the suspect was arrested. ELISHA DACEY

Two injured in home invasion

BREAK-IN. One man was seriously hurt and a woman assaulted after a home invasion yesterday. The Organized Crime Unit is investigating. ELISHA DACEY

Government looks for unpaid student loans

Court quickly garnished wages from those in arrears in two cases Majority of cases filed against Winnipeggers

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Ducking out on paying back your student loans? Don't be surprised to find yourself on the wrong side of a lawsuit.

Canada's attorney general has filed a slew of court claims in Manitoba in recent weeks in an effort to recoup nearly $286,000 in loans, back interest and costs from 24 men and women.

Most of the claims involve unpaid student loans from the early 2000s, but one case goes back to the early 1990s, according to court documents.

One of the lawsuits involves a Manitoba university professor who the government says took out more than $18,000 in loans and never paid them back — despite being ordered to by an Alberta court in 2003. Another case shows an East Kildonan woman owes more than $36,000 for 25 loans she took out over a six-year period.

Two people declared bankruptcy years ago, but the government is still seeking repayment.

In debt

- **Billing** The Manitoba government will start billing you for your student loans six months after graduation.
- **Bankruptcy** You must pay back your student loans even if you declare bankruptcy.

Wheel. And deal

▶ Hundreds of people took in the City of Winnipeg's annual bike auction at the Varsity View Community Centre on the weekend.

ELISHA DACEY/METRO WINNIPEG

Bidders gather for bike auction

About 800 bicycles, most of them unclaimed bikes picked up by police, were sold to the highest bidders at the City of Winnipeg's annual bike auction.

Majority needed to quell separatism: PM

- A weak government fuels Quebec sovereigntists, Harper pitches in B.C.
- Michael Ignatieff focuses on Liberals' health-care reform plan

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▶ Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his wife, Laureen, serve dim sum to patrons of the Continental Seafood Restaurant in Richmond, B.C., yesterday.

Election 2011

Stephen Harper is making another pitch for a Conservative majority government, adding the resurgence of Quebec sovereigntists to the growing list of reasons he needs unfettered power in Ottawa.

Now is not the time for a weak minority, which is precisely what the forces of separation in Quebec are hoping for, Harper told a rally yesterday in Richmond, B.C.

The issue arose anew Saturday after Parti Québécois Leader Pauline Marois, who is ahead in provincial polls, won a resounding 93.1 per cent confidence vote from the normally fractious party.

Harper spent most of the weekend in British Columbia, a province where the Tories have a chance to pick up enough seats to form the first Tory majority since Brian Mulroney nearly 20 years ago.

Coincidentally, Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff found himself on the same turf yesterday, attempting to contrast his position on health care with that of the government.

Within 60 days of a Liberal government taking power, Ignatieff said, he'd convene a meeting of the provinces and territories to begin hammering out a new health-care accord to replace the current agreement, which expires in 2014.

The Liberals are hoping health care proves to be the government's Achilles heel. The party is currently airing the most negative ads of its campaign, trying to depict Harper as the leader most likely to preside over the demise of medicare.

"Step 1 is to weaken the country, have a weak government in Ottawa."
STEPHEN HARPER ON THE RESURGENCE OF QUEBEC SOVEREIGNTISTS

Harper's plan yesterday was to court immigrant voters by renewing his pledge to crack down on human smuggling, but was again called on to defend another Tory candidate eruption.

Wally Daudrich, a Tory candidate in northern Manitoba, had until recently a comment on his Facebook page calling Barack Obama the worst and least honest U.S. president.

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Braving bombs for ballots in Afghanistan

Voting starts today for about 2,850 of Canada's soldiers in Afghanistan.

Organizing the balloting in a war zone far from home brings with it some challenges Elections Canada does not normally face.

To ensure soldiers in the remote outposts of Panjwaii in Kandahar province can vote if they want to, five two-person teams were slated to fly by military transport to the various strong points and forward operating bases, said Maj. Kash Bagal, senior deputy returning officer. Voting booths were being set up in mess halls and other locations, where soldiers could cast ballots.

Troops have been paying attention to the election, when operational necessities and communications allow, Capt. Adam Siokalo said yesterday from a remote post in western Panjwaii. The main issue for many soldiers, he said, is what the various parties have in mind for the military. THE CANADIAN PRESS

F-35 FIGHTERS

Jet price includes engines, feds say

Defence officials have shot down reports that Canada would be responsible for supplying the engines needed for the F-35 fighters.

Documents obtained from the Defence department saying the F-35 engines "are provided as gov't-furnished equipment" prompted questions whether the cost of the engines were included in the $9 billion price tag to buy 65 of the stealth fighters.

But the Conservatives and Defence officials yesterday insisted the price made public all along includes everything needed to operate the aircraft — even the engines.

"The $9 billion overall acquisition cost includes 65 aircraft with engines installed," the Defence department said in a statement.

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Does it work on polls, too?

When the Liberal jet made a false start this weekend at an airport in Edmonton, a little of Michael Ignatieff's gravity-defying mojo might have saved the day.

Stuck on the tarmac and fearful the plane wasn't going to take off, one reporter in the back began chanting the new unofficial Liberal slogan the leader coined in that day's campaign speech: Rise up. Rise up. Rise up.

Everyone on the plane soon joined in the chorus, urging the aircraft skyward — and it worked.

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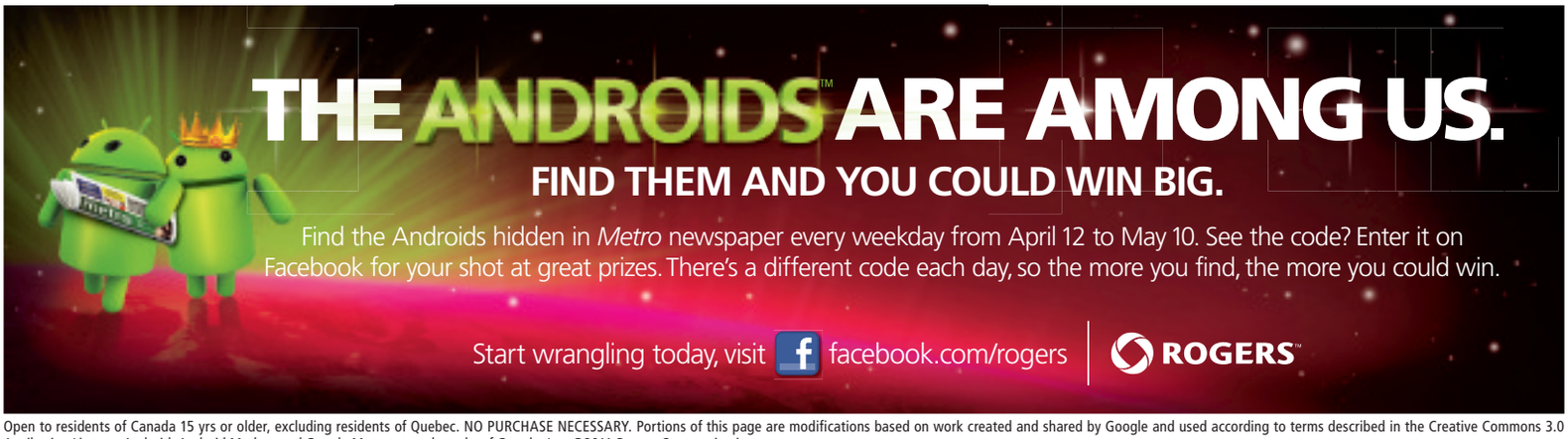
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U.S. 'culture of bargain-hunting' keeps prices down

Canadians say they want low prices, but they don't go to nearly the length Americans do to score a deal

With a loonie worth more than a U.S. dollar, bargains abound for Canadian shoppers who hit the stores south of the border.

The reasons for the price differences defy easy explanation. But some suggest an unwillingness of Canadians to spend the same time as Americans to hunt for a bargain may contribute to the gap.

"Shopping seems to be a very big part of what goes on in the U.S. People go down to Florida, to Georgia, to the southern U.S. and one of the activities that you do there are tours going to outlet malls," says David Soberman, a marketing professor at the University of Toronto. "If you're wondering why prices are lower, it might be part of the explanation."

Market moment

PRICES AS OF 5 P.M. FRIDAY

TSX	Dollar
– 22.68 (13,799.12)	– 0.03¢ (104.16¢ US)

Oil	Natural gas 1,000 cu ft	Gold contracts
+ $1.55 US ($109.66 US)	$4.20 US (– 1.7¢ US)	$1,486 US (+ $13.60 US)

Soberman suggests that if Canadians want bargains, they must change their shopping habits, do their research and "patronize the store that has the lowest price."

Michael Mulvey, marketing professor at the University of Ottawa, says the larger middle class in Canada may also play a role in the price gap.

"When you have a larger number of people that are struggling, it does put pressures on to bring prices down," he said.

"Wal-Mart is the place that people go to … partly because they don't feel ripped off when they go there." THE CANADIAN PRESS

U.A.E. pushes for more smartphone control

Tighter restrictions on RIM's BlackBerry devices proposed by the United Arab Emirates would likely apply to other smartphones, too. The UAE's telecommunications regulator wants to limit access to the Blackberry Enterprise Server system, which provides the most secure form of communication. It is used by many firms and government agencies to keep data safe.
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Only organizations with 20 or more BlackBerry accounts could use the BES system under the UAE's new rules. Others would have to rely on a less-secure system that is easier for authorities to monitor.

Fore. Sight

▶ David Neivandt, left, and Alex Caddell tee off on an athletic field in Orono, Maine, with their golf ball made from ground lobster shell.

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A stroke of genius

Two University of Maine researchers may have solved the problem of "golf-ball pollution": What happens when a ball goes flying off the green to land in a lake or the ocean. Engineering professor David Neivandt and bioengineering major Alex Caddell are experimenting with a golf ball made from ground lobster shell. Neivandt says the biodegradable balls are intended for use on cruise ships or at driving ranges near bodies of water.

Urban Compass

LARA SCHROEDER

ROASTER'S AURA RICH & AROMATIC

You know there's something different about your business when your suppliers decide whether they will let you buy their product.

A couple of years ago, representatives of Doi Chaang Coffee in northern Thailand came to Winnipeg to assess the worthiness of Trevis Boyd's Black Pearl Coffee (blackpearlcoffee.ca).

"They wanted to see if I would still be allowed to roast (their coffee)," Boyd explained, describing one of the men as "mystic" and "spectacular."

The North End micro-roaster passed the test.

"Our complex had a good aura," Boyd said.

Boyd delivers the story with a smile, aware of the humour in the situation — but he also enjoyed the experience and is proud to have gained the growers' approval.

Becoming a successful micro-roaster has as much to do with loving the product as with business sense.

"To be successful, you have to be passionate about coffee," Boyd said.

He fits the bill — to the extent that he cannot always provide what a customer wants.

"I get in trouble sometimes because I only go so dark," he said. Each variety of coffee has a "sweet spot" and roasting it too long removes some of its best qualities, he explained. "I just refuse to burn coffee."

Black Pearl Coffee opened in 2000 in a small room on Dufferin Avenue because the location was inexpensive and the odour of roasting coffee wasn't going to be a problem. When Boyd needed a bigger facility, he moved a few blocks down.

"There's fabulous food in this area," he says, naming nearby bakeries, meat and fish markets. "It's turned out to be a great location for us."

The shop has a front counter where customers can buy a cup or boxes of coffee (but there are no chairs or tables), three roasters in the back and a cold storage area for green beans, which come from the Americas, Africa, Indonesia and Thailand.

Boyd's product is sold in restaurants where coffee is an important menu item, he said, from Hope, B.C., to Rankin Inlet, Nunavut, to Thunder Bay, Ont.

Boyd used to build prosthetic limbs, but became passionate about coffee during the six years he lived north of Seattle, which he calls "coffee mecca."

He followed that passion when his wife's love for Winnipeg brought them back.

"I'm peddling a legal addictive substance, so it's a super job," he said with a laugh.

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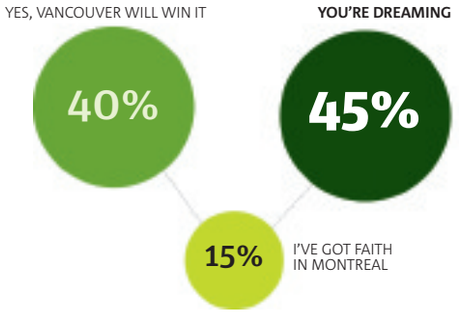

Local tweets

- **@oxKirsten:** @xChantalCx Sounds like the exciting life! Winnipeg ... living on the edge — of a flooding river.
- **@adam_prus:** nature is trying to tell us that the winnipeg jets are coming back #winnipegwhiteout
- **@paychen:** I am unnaturally excited for Smoke's Poutinerie to open in #Winnipeg in May.
- **@GenePrincipe:** Just want to say hi my Winnipeg buddy Daryl Harris ... a little shout out for a follower who actually likes my cheesy lines ... appreciate it
- **@phtz:** @drtiki Good old Winnipeg, this street has 9 names. 6 of them in less than two kilometres. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Winnipeg_Route_62
- **@WFXWrestling:** @garylawless you are the only Gary less popular in Winnipeg than Bettman.
- **@RyGoodPossy:** I'm determined to meet @thatrygood when he comes to Winnipeg, Manitoba with @justinbieber
- **@ stones1959:** It snowed here in Mississauga this morning but didn't stay on the ground. Guess we're luckier than Winnipeg!

Worth mentioning

LONDON. Britain's government has begun the process of reviewing the ancient, discriminatory rules of royal succession, so if Prince William and Kate Middleton's first child is a girl she would eventually become queen.

The current rule that puts boys ahead of their sisters "would strike most people as a little old-fashioned," Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg said Saturday.

The Cabinet Office said the government accepts that some aspects of the succession rule "could be discriminatory." It said the government has started discussions with British Commonwealth nations that would be directly affected by any change because they recognize the British monarch as their head of state, but declined to release details of those talks.

William is second in line to the throne after his father, Prince Charles, who is Queen Elizabeth II's first-born child.

Charles' sister Anne is lower in the line of succession than her younger brothers Andrew and Edward.

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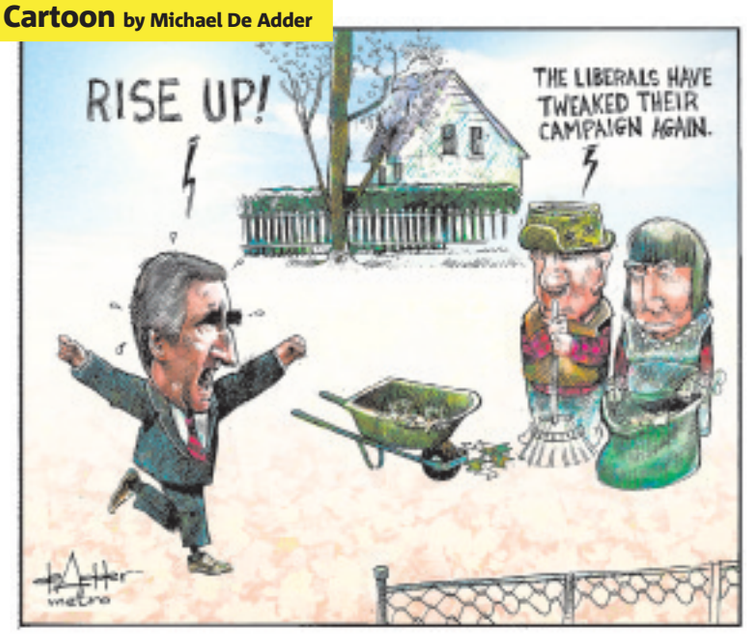

WEIRD NEWS

Don't stop to smell this flower

Spring is in the air, and that means an unpleasant smell for one greenhouse at Ohio State University.

A 2.4-metre tall rainforest plant that's known as a "corpse flower" because it smells like rotting flesh is getting ready to bloom.

The Columbus Dispatch reports greenhouse co-ordinator Joan Leonard has been growing the flowers since 2001, and this would be the first of five to bloom.

Leonard says smelling the Amorphophallus titanium for the first time will be the culmination of a decade of work. But it will be a quick experience because the flower withers after a day or two.

She expects the bloom to open in May, revealing its umbrella-sized "petals." When that happens, the university will have visiting hours to give people a peek at the rare plant.

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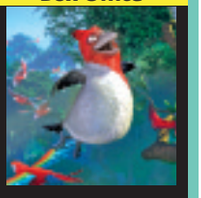

Anne Hathaway and Jesse Eisenberg's animated family flick Rio led the weekend box office with a healthy $40 million US debut, according to studio estimates Sunday.

But the slasher comedy Scream 4 opened at No. 2 with just $19.3 million, a fraction of the business for the previous two sequels, which both debuted at over $30 million more than a decade ago.

After two weekends in the No. 1 spot, Russell Brand's Easter bunny tale Hop slipped to third-place with $11.2 million, raising its total to $82.6 million.

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Kathleen Turner gets in touch with her spiritual side by playing a nun in Broadway play High

Hollywood is looking to cash in on the Royal Wedding with a raft of made-for-tv movies and documentaries The resemblance of the on-screen Kate and William to the real-life version is questionable at best, as are the set locations

HANDOUT

Camilla Luddington, right, and Nico Evers-Swindell play the title characters in the Lifetime TV movie William & Kate.

The Royal Wedding heads to TV

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METRO WORLD NEWS IN HOLLYWOOD

While they prepare for their walk down the aisle April 29, Prince William and Kate Middleton can rest assured that their romance has earned the Lifetime Television seal of approval, as the U.S. cable channel will be debuting William & Kate, a made-for-TV movie about the royal couple's courtship, tonight, 11 days before they tie the knot.

William & Kate chronicles the early days of the couple's long courtship, including their first meetings at the University of St. Andrews and later coping with the intense media scrutiny that comes with dating a member of the royal family. "I love the you no one gets to see but me," the on-screen version of Middleton gushes to her royal beau.

Finding actors who look anything like the real-life happy couple was apparently too much of a challenge, as stars Camilla Luddington and Nico Evers-Swindell's similarities to Kate Middleton and Prince William end at their height difference and hair colour — though even here, Evers-Swindell has a bit too much going on, resembling more a ginger version of Twilight star Robert Pattinson than the thinning-haired second-in-line to the British throne.

The actors aren't the only ones straining to pass themselves off as their British counterparts: The Lifetime movie was filmed entirely in Los Angeles. Scenes at St. Andrews were actually shot on UCLA's sunny Westwood, Calif., campus, as the university's grounds were some of the few places in the area that looked "old" enough to pass for the 600-year-old school.

Resemblance issues aside, Luddington and Evers-Swindell certainly aren't short on enthusiasm. "Lifetime viewers are going to get a great love story," Luddington says of the movie. "If you're romantic at heart, you're going to love it."

Lifetime is also debuting a six-part documentary, Royal Wedding of a Lifetime, prior to the big nuptials at Westminster Abbey.

Another U.S. cable network, the Hallmark Channel, is also getting in on royal action, with their own film about the couple, William & Kate: a Love Story, that won't debut until August. Perhaps the longer lead time will allow them to find actors with more of a resemblance to the real William and Kate.

Not the first royal TV movie

Prince William is the latest Royal to get the made-for-TV treatment, but he's certainly not the first. In fact, his parents' wedding was chronicled in not one but two films — and one even spawned a not-too-pleasant sequel.

The Royal Romance of Charles and Diana (1982)
Starring Christopher Baines as Prince Charles and Catherine Oxenberg, a cousin of the real Charles, as Diana Spencer, the film was probably most notable for featuring Olivia de Havilland as the Queen Mother.

Charles and Diana: A Royal Love Story (1982)
The second film rushed onto TV screens in the year following Charles and Diana's nuptials. This American-made version starred David Robb as Charles and Caroline Bliss as Diana. As for notable supporting cast members, Sir Christopher Lee stepped in as Prince Philip.

Charles and Diana: Unhappily Ever After (1992)
Despite her real-life bloodline to the royal family, Oxenberg reprised her role as Princess Diana for this "sequel" to The Royal Romance of Charles and Diana, chronicling in pulpy soap opera detail the dissolution of Charles and Diana's marriage.

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Charles and Diana

Nic Cage booked in New Orleans

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Actor taken into custody after alleged drunken row with wife

Nicolas Cage was arrested in New Orleans over the weekend on charges of domestic violence and disturbing the peace, according to TMZ.

Sources say a "very drunk" Cage and his wife, Alice Kim, were arguing loudly outside, prompting a taxi driver to alert the police. When they arrived, Cage reportedly taunted the cops with, "Why don't you just arrest me?" Eventually, the officers obliged.

Kim is reportedly denying any domestic violence occurred and is not planning to press charges.

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▶ Nicolas Cage

Celebrity tweets

@nicolerichie

"I thought I saw myself on TV, turns out it was Bill Murray in What About Bob."

@DonaldGlover

"There's an overhyped indie band out of Brooklyn w/ 2 keyboardists & an indian bass player called "Teen Wolf" right? No? Someone get on that."

@jonahhill

"Every time a sexy woman jumps out of a giant cake there is at least one guy who is bummed about the cake being ruined."

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Reformed approach needed to address youth homelessness, says report.

The summer's kid flicks

...as previewed by a kid Our expert, the eight-year-old daughter of a director/screenwriter, watched this season's trailers & tells us what to expect

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Does this movie look good or bad and why?

SONY

Smurfs: I think the movie looks colourful. But the lines, are they supposed to be funny?

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Rio: It looks more good than bad. Kids really like Pedro, the red bird. Kids at my school are already copying his phrases.

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The Zookeeper: It looks better than The Smurfs, but I wouldn't give it a solid thumbs up.

DISNEY

Winnie the Pooh: It looks funny. Good job Disney!

DREAMWORKS

Kung Fu Panda 2: Awesome, think I want to see it. This is a great movie for your kids.

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Cars 2: Looks pretty good, I like it.

Do you think kids will want to see this? Why?

Yes, but not because it looks good. It is because it is their parents' beloved characters and in 3-D!

The bird versus monkey war makes kids fans in seconds.

Yes. Little kids love talking animals. Movie companies love to make movies about kids' favourite subjects.

Yes, it seems better than I thought, but kids might look at it and say, "I don't want to watch another Winnie the Pooh movie."

Of course! Who wouldn't want to see a talking panda doing Kung Fu with Jack Black's voice?

Kids loved the movie Cars in 2006. What makes you think they wouldn't like this one?

What do you hope happens to the main characters?

I hope they go to Central Park.

I hope Rio gets a chance to swim in the ocean.

I hope the monkeys make the zookeeper eat bananas and I hope he can ride on an elephant.

I hope Owl stops being so bossy.

I hope the characters are the same as in the first one.

I just hope Sally comes back. In the trailer it doesn't look like she does.

What are the chances you'll see it in the theatre?

I'd say about 27 per cent. It doesn't sound as funny as its supposed to look.

Probably a good 65 per cent. It is probably going to win awards.

A 41 per cent chance. I don't think it looks quite funny enough.

Maybe a 99 per cent. It looks pretty good!

Probably 100 per cent. It looks cool!

100 per cent. My Dad has figured it. Kids are gonna love this. It is a 10-year-old boy's dream.

The perfect treat for Passover

Baked goods for the Jewish holiday must be made without flour **This Honey Coconut Cake employs alternatives**

MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ This Honey Coconut Cake replaces flour with a blend of matzo meal and ground nuts.

To be suitable for Passover, baked goods must be made without flour. This cake replaces it with a blend of matzo meal and ground nuts that then are flavoured with honey, coconut, orange zest and spices. The result is a satisfyingly syrupy-sticky cake that is wonderfully delicious.

Preparation:

1. Heat the oven to 150 C (300 F). Coat an 20-cm (8-inch) springform pan with cooking spray, then line the bottom with parchment paper.
2. In the bowl of a food processor, pulse together the almonds, coconut and matzo until the mixture is reduced to coarse crumbs.
3. In the bowl of a stand mixer, combine the eggs, honey, sugar and salt. Beat with the whisk attachment on high until very thick, about 7 to 8 minutes. Stir in the zest, cinnamon and cardamom. Fold the coconut and almond mixture into the eggs in 2 batches. Pour the mixture into the prepared pan. Bake until a toothpick inserted at the centre comes out with a few moist crumbs, 35 to 40 minutes.
4. While the cake bakes, make the syrup. In a small saucepan over medium-high, combine the water, sugar, honey, orange juice and cardamom. Bring to a boil and cook, stirring, until the sugar is dissolved. Set aside.
5. When the cake is finished baking, use a skewer to poke holes across the surface of the cake. Pour 160 ml (2/3 cup) of syrup over the cake. Allow to cool.
6. To serve, run knife along the outside of pan and remove sides of the pan. Transfer to serving platter and remove bottom of the pan. Peel off the parchment paper if it doesn't come off. Top with toasted coconut and serve with extra syrup.

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Ingredients:

For the cake:
- 250 ml (1 cup) sliced almonds
- 250 ml (1 cup) shredded unsweetened coconut
- 80 ml (1/3 cup) matzo meal
- 4 eggs
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) honey
- 60 ml (1/4 cup) sugar
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) salt
- Zest of 1 orange
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cinnamon
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) ground cardamom

For the syrup:
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) water
- 250 ml (1 cup) sugar
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) honey
- 60 ml (1/4 cup) orange juice
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) ground cardamom

To serve:
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) shredded coconut, toasted

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Depending on your petal of choice, wedding flowers can drastically weigh down your budget — especially if they're not in season or grown locally.

Rather than paying for exports, why not follow in the footsteps of Kate Middleton (who will have an arrangement full of myrtle and other petals) and walk down the aisle with a gorgeous bouquet comprised of flowers and herbs?

Take a peak at your own garden or head to your local florist and don't be afraid to ask for seasonal petals.

As for herbs, lavender, basil, mint and thyme are easily found at the grocery store, and will not only look beautiful in a mixed bouquet but smell fragrant too.

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CLEANING UP IN THE BUSINESS WORLD

She was fired from her first job — on the first day she reported to work. Her employers told the new immigrant from Hong Kong that her English language skills weren't strong enough.

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It was only a brief setback for the determined young woman. Today, the successful married mother of two is running her own business, calling the shots and inspiring others to follow her lead.

Studying economics at York University, Amanda went on to land a job at IBM in client relations. "I talked to a lot of business owners and really got inspired," she said.

Months of research followed. She came up with a business plan and decided to start her own cleaning company. Her mother was incredulous. "Are you nuts? You're leaving your six-figure job at IBM to clean toilets?"

Now four years later, the award-winning entrepreneur has 20 employees at Clean4Me and is looking into franchising her successful operation.

"Let go of your fears, doubts and disbeliefs. Be courageous, embrace change and start believing in your dreams," she said.

Amanda Collucci did and now she's her own boss. Her mom is proud.

Amanda's tips:

Here's some advice from the award-winning entrepreneur on what helps drive business success.

- **Know** your purpose and understand why you're in business.
- **Understand** the industry and what resources you will need.
- **Find** a mentor or advisor. It will accelerate your success.
- **Believe** in yourself and conquer your fears. Have faith and know that you can get through any challenges.
- **Think** big, dream big and play big. Don't set limits.

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▶ Amanda Collucci, president and CEO of Clean4Me Inc., accepting the Best Start Up award from the Association of Canadian Chinese Entrepreneurs.

Turning internships into job opportunities

STUDENT VOICE

CARLA KAVINTA
TALENTEGG.CA

I recently got hired as an intern at KBS+P, a marketing and advertising firm in downtown Toronto. Although I have learned a great deal from sitting in on meetings and completing project tasks, the most valuable and practical skills I have learned were from having one-on-one meetings with executives in the company.

I was surprised by not only their willingness, but also their eagerness to share their knowledge and experience.

What shocked me most was that these senior people approached me to share their knowledge of the industry, as well as provide their advice on career goals and how to succeed in the advertising business.

They have continually followed up with practical advice and have generously shared an ample amount of reading material to explore the industry further.

Most importantly, they have made a genuine commitment to educating their interns, knowing that we could potentially be the future of the company.

Their sincere interest in my career development has inspired me to work for the firm and has pushed me to work hard for the company.

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▶ Carla Kavinta

Where Carla is now

I am currently finishing my last year in the commerce program at the University of Toronto. I was accepted to a global internship program for the summer and hope to return to KBS+P in the fall.

Key take-aways from Carla's school-to-work transition

• Take on internships while you're still in school to gain work experience.
• Ask senior executives for their career advice — they've been where you are and know what it takes to succeed.
• Use your new connections to help you land a job after graduation. If you go above and beyond during your internship, they're more likely to hire you after graduation.

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4 sports

Preds pounce on Ryan-less Ducks

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▶ Nashville's Martin Erat, centre, is congratulated by teammates after his first-period goal last night.

PREDATORS	DUCKS
4	3

Mike Fisher broke a tie at 10:21 of the third period, and the Nashville Predators took advantage of Bobby Ryan sitting out to beat the Anaheim Ducks 4-3 yesterday for a 2-1 lead in the first-round series.

The NHL suspended Ryan for two games Saturday for stomping Predators defenceman Jonathon Blum's foot in the Ducks' 5-3 victory Friday. Ryan will also miss Game 4 on Wednesday in Nashville.

Martin Erat had a power-play goal and an assist, David Legwand and Jordin Tootoo also scored, and Ryan Suter had two assists for Nashville.

Teemu Selanne scored two goals, and Corey Perry had two assists. Matt Beleskey also scored for Anaheim. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canucks on verge of sweep in Chicago

Champs on the ropes after failing to cash in on powerplays

CANUCKS	HAWKS
3	2

Mikael Samuelsson scored the go-ahead goal in the third period, Roberto Luongo made 30 saves and the Vancouver Canucks moved within a victory of sweeping defending Stanley Cup champion Chicago, beating the Blackhawks 3-2 last night.

The Canucks, with the best record in the NHL during the regular season, lead the first-round can finish it off tomorrow night at the United Center.

Christian Ehrhoff and Daniel Sedin also scored for the Canucks, eliminated by the Blackhawks in the first round the previous two seasons.

Duncan Keith and Patrick Sharp had power-play goals for the Blackhawks, but it was a night of missed chances for Chicago. The Blackhawks had seven power-play opportunities overall, including a 5-on-3 in the first period when they led 1-0, but were turned away by Luongo and the Canucks' penalty kill.

Samuelsson, who missed Game 2 with an illness, scored on a rebound at 6:48 of the third after a first attempt by Henrik Sedin went off goalie Corey Crawford. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Canucks goalie Roberto Luongo blocks a shot by Blackhawk Jonathan Toews during the first period of Game 3 last night.

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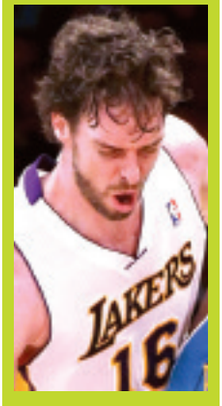


"I'm disappointed, yeah. Stunned, surprised. But we were the ones responsible for that to happen, so we have to own up to that and come back to work in the next couple of days and get the series where we want it to be."

LOS ANGELES POWER FORWARD PAU GASOL ON THE DEFENDING NBA CHAMPION LAKERS' 109-100 LOSS TO THE NEW ORLEANS HORNETS YESTERDAY. GASOL STRUGGLED TO EIGHT POINTS ON 2-FOR-9 SHOOTING WITH JUST SIX REBOUNDS.

Goalie makes 7-0 loss to Canada look good

Canada won the game, but Kazakhstan goaltender Daria Obydennova put on a show.

Her 64-save performance yesterday limited the damage as the Canadian women emerged with a 7-0 victory.

"Give her a lot of props, taking that many shots can't be easy," said Canada's Meaghan Mikkelson.

116 Daria Obydennova compiled 116 saves in two games after making 52 in a 5-3 loss to Finland on Saturday.

It was Canada's second win a day after opening the women's world championship with a 12-0 win over host Switzerland. Canada concludes Pool B play tomorrow versus Finland. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports in brief

Wade battling migraines

NBA. Dwyane Wade missed practice with the Miami Heat yesterday because of migraine symptoms.

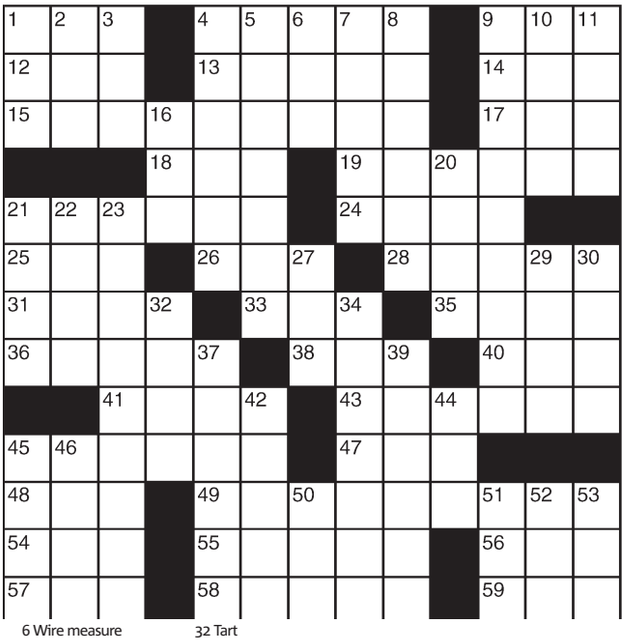
His status is unclear for Game 2 against the 76ers tonight. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Arsenal's title hopes take hit

PREMIER LEAGUE. Dirk Kuyt equalized with a penalty kick in the 12th minute of injury time to give Liverpool a 1-1 draw at Arsenal yesterday.

Arsenal is six points behind Premier League leaders Manchester United with six games left to play. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Crossword



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14 Rage
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18 Gold, in Guadalajara
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21 Like some calves
24 Coin aperture
25 Japanese sash
26 Society newcomer
28 Tapestry
31 Carpeting
33 Poorly lit
35 Snitch
36 Group spirit
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40 — glance
41 Ballet frill
43 By chance
45 Reflector
47 Gen. Lee's grp.
48 Tokyo's old name
49 About 5.88 trillion miles
54 Mountain
55 Painting support
56 Tear
57 Casual shirt
58 Colouration
59 Upper limb

Down

1 Sprite
2 Pond carp
3 Ovum
4 Odium
5 Wrote cryptograms, maybe
6 Wire measure
7 Graduates
8 Space cloud
9 Play music without preparation
10 Verifiable
11 Longings
16 Stolen
20 Category
21 Fairway warning
22 Touch
23 Dangerous place to walk
27 Marceau character
29 Choir voice
30 Bang the door
32 Tart
34 Moved to Sousa music
37 Some fur pieces
39 Rook
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46 Between jobs
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51 Historic period
52 Melody
53 Spinning stat

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Sudoku

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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Hii dimples! You are the best part of my life! I know it is hard right now with your ankle but youre the bravest person I know! I have alot of fun with you whatever we do. I love you lots and lots! Love always, **SWEETCHEEKS.**

*mavis Friends And Fun, boo mavis... wanna send this to you and muwah & hugs.. have fun ok! *winks* From* **ROMAN**

chia pet Love Birds, If you like Pina Coladas, and getting caught in the rain. If you're not into yoga, if you have half-a-brain. If you like making love at midnight, in the dunes of the cape. I'm the lady you've looked for, write to me, and escape."From **WHERES THE DUCK???**

A look at the weather

Jenna Khan, Weather Specialist

"Weather impacts everything we do. Providing the information you need before you head out that door and take on the day is the best part of my morning." **WEEKDAYS 6AM**

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TODAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Min -6° Max 5°	Min -3° Max 6°	Min -2° Max 10°

Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Expect partners and loved ones to be a little touchy.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Don't give people the impression that you agree with them when you don't.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Something out of the ordinary is going to happen but there is nothing you can do about it.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Make sure that employers know you are serious about wanting to move up in the world.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Do what you have to do today, and tomorrow will be all for you.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 you may be a bit short of cash over the next few days. No matter.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You've got a bad feeling about what a friend or colleague is trying to get you involved in.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Put your own interests first and don't let others succeed in persuading you that you are obliged to them in some way.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You must not let other people copy your big idea and call it their own.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Take care when dealing with employers and work colleagues over the next 24 hours

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Do you carry on with a project or do you give up on it?

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You will have to make sacrifices today you may be worse off financially. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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